Thomas B. Redding collection L425

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Summary Information

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Creator - Compiler Redding, Thomas B., 1831-1895

Title Thomas B. Redding collection

Date 1844-1897

Extent 0.5 Cubic feet 1 manuscript box

Language English

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Biographical Note

Thomas Burton Redding was born in Henry County, Indiana, December 27, 1831. The son of Iredell and Anna (Nixon) Redding, Thomas graduated from Indiana Asbury University (now DePauw University) in 1857, and obtained a Ph.D. from Iowa Wesleyan University in 1881. Redding married Sarah W. Corrington on December 2, 1858.

Redding taught at New Castle Seminary, then worked as editor of the *New Castle Courier* before being admitted to the bar in 1857. He worked as an attorney for a brief time in Chicago, Illinois (1858-1860), and maintained a legal practice in New Castle, Henry County, Indiana (1855-1895). Redding specialized in collections, Civil War pension claims, and patents. He also served as a trustee of the president of the Western Association of Writers from 1892 to 1893 and as a member of the American Society of Microscopy and the Royal Microscopical Society of England, as well as other scientific organizations. Redding died in New Castle on April 11, 1895.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists principally of Civil War pension correspondence of Indiana soldiers represented by Thomas Redding. The collection also contains receipts, business forms, legal papers, general correspondence, and military papers compiled by Redding in New Castle, Henry County, Indiana from 1844 to 1897.

Arrangement

The pension correspondence in this collection is arranged alphabetically by the last name of the pension correspondent. The other documents are arranged by subject, then chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Rare Books and Manuscripts

Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Custodial History

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a donation.

Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Related Materials

Related Archival Material

Materials relating to this collection may be found in the following collections in Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library, Indianapolis, IN:

L336 Thomas B. Redding papers

Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Henry County (Ind.)
- New Castle (Ind.)

Subject(s)

- Correspondence
- Military pensions--Indiana
- Receipts
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Equipment & supplies
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Veterans
- United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Veterans--Pensions

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Pension correspondence, A-B	1	1
Pension correspondence, C-D	1	2
Pension correspondence, D-E	1	3
Pension correspondence, F-G	1	4
Pension correspondence, H-K	1	5
Pension correspondence, L	1	6
Pension correspondence, M	1	7
Pension correspondence, N-P	1	8
Pension correspondence, R	1	9
Pension correspondence, S-Z	1	10
Business forms, 1864-1868	1	11
Receipts, 1844-1897, undated	1	12

Legal papers, 1856-1890s, undated	1	13
Estate papers, 1866-1872	1	14
General correspondence, 1863-1892	1	15
Military papers, 1864-1865, undated	1	16